

①  $P(X=x) = k \binom{n}{x}, \quad x=0,1,\dots,n,$   
 $M_X(t) = ?$

$$\sum_{x=0}^n P(X=x) = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{x=0}^n k \binom{n}{x} = 1 \Rightarrow \boxed{k = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X=x) = \binom{n}{x} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-x}, \quad x=0,1,2,\dots,n.$$

$$\Rightarrow X \sim \text{Bin}(n, \frac{1}{2}).$$

$$M_X(t) = \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} e^t\right)^n = \frac{(1+e^t)^n}{2^n} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

②  $f(x) = \alpha e^{-x^2 - \beta x}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty.$

$$E(X) = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad \alpha, \beta = ?$$

We have  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha e^{-x^2 - \beta x} dx = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha e^{\beta^2/4} \cdot \sqrt{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} (1/\sqrt{2})} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x+\beta/2}{1/\sqrt{2}}\right)^2} dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha e^{\beta^2/4} \cdot \sqrt{\pi} = 1. \quad \text{--- ①}$$

and  $E(X) = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx = -\frac{1}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha e^{\beta^2/4} \cdot \sqrt{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} (1/\sqrt{2})} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x+\beta/2}{1/\sqrt{2}}\right)^2} dx = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \cdot \left(-\frac{\beta}{2}\right) = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \boxed{\beta = 1}$$

using ①  $\boxed{\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-1/4}}$

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$$(3) \quad X \sim \text{Geom}(0.4)$$

$$P(X) = 0.4 \times (0.6)^{x-1}, \quad x=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X=5 | X \geq 2) &= \frac{P(X=5, X \geq 2)}{P(X \geq 2)} \\ &= \frac{P(X=5)}{1 - P(X=1)} = \frac{0.4 \times 0.6^4}{1 - 0.4} = 0.0864 \quad \text{R.} \end{aligned}$$


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$$(4) \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{4} e^{-|x|/2}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty.$$

$$E(|X|) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x| \frac{1}{4} e^{-|x|/2} dx$$

$$= 2 \int_0^{\infty} x \frac{1}{4} e^{-x/2} dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x}{2} e^{-x/2} dx$$

$$= 2 \quad \text{R.}$$


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$$(5) \quad \text{Let } X \sim N(2, 4).$$

$$g(a) = P(a \leq X \leq a+2)$$

$$g(a) = P\left(\frac{a-2}{2} \leq Z \leq \frac{a}{2}\right) = \Phi\left(\frac{a}{2}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{a-2}{2}\right).$$

Let  $\psi(\cdot)$  denote the pdf of  $N(0, 1)$ .

$$\Rightarrow g'(a) = \frac{1}{2} \psi\left(\frac{a}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \psi\left(\frac{a}{2} - 1\right)$$

Now  $g'(a) = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{a=1}$

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Now

$$g''(a) = \frac{1}{4} \psi'\left(\frac{a}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{4} \psi'\left(\frac{a}{2}-1\right)$$

we know that  $\psi'(x) = -x\psi(x)$

$$\Rightarrow g''(a) = -\frac{a}{8} \psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{a}{2}-1\right) \psi\left(\frac{a}{2}-1\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow g''(1) = -\frac{1}{8} \psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{8} \psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{1}{4} \psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) < 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow a=1 \text{ maximizes } g(a).$$


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6.

The required probability is given by

$$P\left(-\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 2\right) = \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^2 f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^1 \frac{1}{4} dx + \int_1^2 \frac{1}{4x^2} dx$$

$$= 0.5$$

7.

The required probability is given by

$$P(X=0 | 0 \leq x < 1) = \frac{P(X=0, 0 \leq x < 1)}{P(0 \leq x < 1)} = \frac{P(X=0)}{P(0 \leq x < 1)}$$

$$P(X=0) = F(0) - F(0-) = F(0) - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0+} F(0-h) = \frac{1}{4} - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0+} 0 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P(0 \leq x < 1) = F(1-) - F(0-)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0+} F(1-h) - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0+} F(0-h)$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0+} \left[ \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6}h(1-h) - (1-h)^2 \right] - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0+} 0$$

$$= \frac{3}{4}$$

Thus,  $P(X=0|0 \leq X < 1) = \frac{1/4}{3/4} = \frac{1}{3} = 0.33$ .

8.

Given that the probability density function  $f(x)$  is symmetric about 0, i.e.,  $f(-x) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(u) du$  be the cumulative distribution function of random variable  $X$ . Then, it is easy to verify that  $F(-x) = 1 - F(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-2}^2 \int_{-\infty}^x f(u) du dx &= \int_{-2}^0 \int_{-\infty}^x f(u) du dx + \int_0^2 \int_{-\infty}^x f(u) du dx \\ &= \int_{-2}^0 F(x) dx + \int_0^2 F(x) dx \\ &= -\int_2^0 F(-x) dx + \int_0^2 F(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^2 F(-x) dx + \int_0^2 F(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^2 (F(-x) + F(x)) dx \\ &= \int_0^2 1 dx \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

9. The required probability is

$$P(\pi R^2 < 1) = P(R^2 < \frac{1}{\pi})$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} < R < \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}) \\ &= \int_{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}}^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}} 1 dR \quad (\text{since } R \sim U(0,1)) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \end{aligned}$$

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10. We know that if  $Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , then the mgf of  $Y$  is  $M_Y(t) = e^{\mu t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2}$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Given that  $M_X(t) = e^{2t(t+1)} = e^{2t + \frac{1}{2}4t^2}$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Using the uniqueness property of mgf, it follows that  $X \sim N(2, 4)$ . Now,

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \leq 2) &= P\left(\frac{X-2}{2} \leq \frac{2-2}{2}\right) \\ &= P(Z \leq 0) \quad (\text{where } Z = \frac{X-2}{2} \sim N(0, 1)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

11. The required probability is given by

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\frac{1}{4} \leq X \leq 1\right) &= F(1) - F\left(\frac{1}{4}-\right) \\ &= F(1) - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0+} F\left(\frac{1}{4} - h\right) \\ &= \frac{1+3}{5} - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0+} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \\ &= \frac{4}{5} - \frac{1}{4} \\ &= \frac{11}{20}. \end{aligned}$$

12. By the uniqueness property of moment generating functions, we get that  $X$  has poisson distribution with parameter 0.5, and therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \leq 1) &= P(X=0) + P(X=1) \\ &= \frac{e^{-0.5} (0.5)^0}{0!} + \frac{e^{-0.5} (0.5)^1}{1!} = \frac{3}{2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 13. E(X^2) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{(2+x^2)^{3/2}} dx \end{aligned}$$

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$$= 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{(2+x^2)^{3/2}} dx \quad (\text{since the integrand is an even function})$$

$$= \int_2^{\infty} \frac{(t-2)^{1/2}}{t^{3/2}} dt \quad (\text{putting } 2+x^2=t)$$

$$= \int_2^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{2}{t}\right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{t} dt$$

$$= \int_2^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{2}{t}\right)^{1/2} \frac{t}{2} \frac{2}{t^2} dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 y^{1/2} (1-y)^{-1} dy \quad (\text{putting } 1 - \frac{2}{t} = y)$$

which is of the form  $\int_0^1 y^{m-1} (1-y)^{n-1} dy$  with  $m = \frac{3}{2}$  and  $n = 0$ . Since the Beta function  $\int_0^1 y^{m-1} (1-y)^{n-1} dy$  converges if, and only if,  $m > 0$  and  $n > 0$ , it follows that  $E(x^2)$  does not exist.

14. Given that  $Y = \log_e X^{-2\alpha}$ . Then,  $X = e^{-\frac{Y}{2\alpha}}$  and the Jacobian of the transformation is given by

$$J = \frac{dx}{dy} = -\frac{1}{2\alpha} e^{-\frac{Y}{2\alpha}}. \text{ The pdf of } Y \text{ is given by}$$

$$g(y) = f(e^{-\frac{Y}{2\alpha}}) |J|$$

$$= \begin{cases} \alpha (e^{-\frac{Y}{2\alpha}})^{\alpha-1} \frac{1}{2\alpha} e^{-\frac{Y}{2\alpha}}, & \text{if } 0 < e^{-\frac{Y}{2\alpha}} < 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{Y}{2}}, & \text{if } Y > 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

which is the pdf of  $\chi^2_2$  random variable.

15. It is easy to see that  $F$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $F(0)=0$ , which implies that  $X$  is a non-negative Continuous random variable. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= \int_0^{\infty} [1 - F(x)] dx \\ &= \int_0^2 \left[1 - \frac{x}{8}\right] dx + \int_2^4 \left[1 - \frac{x^2}{16}\right] dx + \int_4^{\infty} [1 - 1] dx \\ &= \frac{31}{12}. \end{aligned}$$

16. Let  $E$  and  $E_i$ , respectively, denote the events that a randomly selected laptop has lifetime more than two years and that the laptop was supplied by vendor  $V_i, i=1, 2$ . Also, let  $X_i$  denote the lifetime (in years) of laptops supplied by vendor  $V_i, i=1, 2$ . Given that  $X_1 \sim U(0, 4)$  and  $X_2 \sim \text{Exp}(1/2)$ . Then, using the given information, we obtain

$$P(E_1) = \frac{1}{2} = P(E_2),$$

$$P(E|E_1) = P(X_1 > 2) = \int_2^4 \frac{1}{4} du = \frac{4-2}{4} = \frac{1}{2},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } P(E|E_2) &= P(X_2 > 2) = \int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} e^{-x/2} dx \\ &= e^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, using the Bayes' theorem, the required probability is given by

$$P(E_2|E) = \frac{P(E|E_2)P(E_2)}{P(E|E_1)P(E_1) + P(E|E_2)P(E_2)} = \frac{e^{-1} \times \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} + e^{-1} \times \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2}{1 + e^{-1}}$$

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18. clearly,  $E(Y) = 72 \times \frac{1}{3} = 24$  and  $\text{Var}(Y) = 72 \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} = 16$ .

An approximate value of  $P(22 \leq Y \leq 28)$  is given by  $P(22 \leq Y \leq 28) = P(21.5 < Y < 28.5)$  (using the continuity correction)

$$= P\left(\frac{21.5 - 24}{4} < \frac{Y - 24}{4} < \frac{28.5 - 24}{4}\right)$$

$$= P(-0.625 < Z < 1.125)$$

$$= \Phi(1.125) - \Phi(-0.625)$$

$$= \Phi(1.125) - (1 - \Phi(0.625))$$

$$= 0.8697 - (1 - 0.7341)$$

$$= 0.6038.$$

17. we have

$$E(X) = \int_0^3 x \cdot \frac{2x}{9} dx = \frac{2}{9} \left[ \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^3 = \frac{2}{9} \times \frac{27}{3} = 2.$$

$$E(X^2) = \int_0^3 x^2 \cdot \frac{2x}{9} dx = \frac{2}{9} \left[ \frac{x^4}{4} \right]_0^3 = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2$$

$$= \frac{9}{2} - 4$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}.$$

Now, using chebyshev's inequality, the upper bound of  $P(|X - 2| > 1)$  is given by

$$P(|X - 2| > 1) \leq \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{1^2} = \frac{1}{2} = 0.5$$



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19.

Given that  $X \sim \text{Bin}(2, p)$  and  $P(X \geq 1) = \frac{5}{9}$ .

Therefore,

$$\frac{4}{9} = P(X=0) = (1-p)^2 \Rightarrow p = \frac{1}{3}.$$

Since  $Y \sim \text{Bin}(4, p)$ , we have

$$P(Y \geq 1) = 1 - P(Y=0)$$

$$= 1 - (1 - \frac{1}{3})^4 = 1 - \frac{16}{81} = \frac{65}{81} = 0.8024$$

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20.

The required probability is given by

$$P(\frac{1}{4} < x^2 < \frac{1}{2}) = P(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} < x < -\frac{1}{2}) + P(\frac{1}{2} < x < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$$

$$= \int_{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{x+1}{2} dx + \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{x+1}{2} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} + x \right]_{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}^{-\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} + x \right]_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= 0.207$$

21.

The required probability is given by

$$P(\min(x, 1-x) \leq \frac{1}{4}) = 1 - P(\min(x, 1-x) > \frac{1}{4})$$

$$= 1 - P(\frac{1}{4} < x < \frac{3}{4})$$

$$= 1 - (\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{4}) \quad (\text{since } x \sim U(0, 1))$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} = 0.5$$

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22. The required probability is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 P\left(\frac{1}{2} < X < 2\right) &= \int_{1/2}^2 f(x) dx \\
 &= \int_{1/2}^1 x^3 dx + \int_1^2 \frac{3}{x^5} dx \\
 &= \left[\frac{x^4}{4}\right]_{1/2}^1 + \left[-\frac{3}{4x^4}\right]_1^2 \\
 &= \frac{15}{16}.
 \end{aligned}$$

23. The given moment generating function can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_X(t) &= \frac{1}{216} (5 + e^t)^3 \\
 &= \left(\frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{6} e^t\right)^3, t \in \mathbb{R}
 \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $X \sim \text{Bin}(3, \frac{1}{6})$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X > 1) &= 1 - P(X \leq 1) \\
 &= 1 - [P(X=0) + P(X=1)] \\
 &= 1 - \binom{3}{0} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^0 \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^3 \\
 &\quad - \binom{3}{1} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^1 \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^2 \\
 &= \frac{2}{27}.
 \end{aligned}$$

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24. Since  $p(x)$  is the pmf, we have

$$1 = \sum_{x=-2}^2 p(x)$$

$$= k \sum_{x=-2}^2 (1+|x|)^2$$

$$= 27k$$

which implies that  $k = \frac{1}{27}$ .

Therefore,  $P(X=0) = p(0)$

$$= \frac{1}{27} (1+|0|)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{27}.$$

25. The pdf of  $X$  is given by

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{6}}, & \frac{\pi}{6} < x < \frac{\pi}{2}, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{3}{\pi}, & \frac{\pi}{6} < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then,

$$P(\cos X > \sin X) = P(\tan X < 1)$$

$$= P(X < \tan^{-1}(1))$$

(since  $\tan^{-1}x$  is increasing in  $x \in (\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{2})$ )

$$= P(X < \frac{\pi}{4})$$

$$= \int_{\frac{1}{6}}^{\frac{1}{4}} \frac{3}{x^4} dx = \frac{1}{4}$$

26. Since  $X \in (0,1)$  with probability 1, it follows that  $Y = -2 \log_e X$  takes values in  $(0, \infty)$  with positive probabilities. Let  $F_Y(y)$  denote the cumulative distribution function of  $Y$  at point  $y$ . clearly, for  $y < 0$ ,  $F_Y(y) = 0$ , and for  $y \geq 0$ ,

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y)$$

$$= P(-2 \log_e X \leq y)$$

$$= P(\log_e X \geq -\frac{y}{2})$$

$$= P(e^{X P(\log_e X)} \geq e^{-y/2})$$

(since  $e^x$  is an increasing function)

$$= P(X \geq e^{-y/2})$$

$$= \int_{e^{-y/2}}^1 1 dx$$

$$= 1 - e^{-y/2}$$

Thus,  $Y$  has an exponential distribution with mean 2. Hence,  $E(Y) = 2$ .

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27. Given that  $Y = \log_{10} X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  and  $M_Y(t) = e^{5t + 2t^2} = e^{5t + \frac{1}{2} 4t^2}$ ,  $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$ .

Using the uniqueness property of mgf, we get that  $\mu = 5$  and  $\sigma^2 = 4$ . Now,

$$P(X < 1000) = P(\log_{10} X < \log_{10}(1000))$$

$$= P(Y < 3)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{Y - 5}{2} < \frac{3 - 5}{2}\right)$$

$$= P(Z < -1)$$

$$= P(Z \leq -1) \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{since } Z \text{ is a} \\ \text{continuous} \\ \text{r.v.} \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \Phi(-1)$$

$$= 1 - \Phi(1) \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{since } \Phi(-x) \\ = 1 - \Phi(x) \end{array} \right)$$

$$= 1 - 0.8413$$

$$= 0.1587.$$

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28. Since  $f(x)$  is a probability density function, it follows that

$$1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^2 \frac{x}{8} dx + \int_2^4 \frac{k}{8} dx + \int_4^6 \frac{6-x}{8} dx$$

$$= \frac{k+2}{4}, \text{ which implies that } k=2.$$

Now, the required probability is

$$P(1 < X < 5) = \int_1^2 \frac{x}{8} dx + \int_2^4 \frac{2}{8} dx + \int_4^5 \frac{6-x}{8} dx$$

$$= \frac{7}{8} = 0.875.$$

Optional solution: The required probability is

$$P(1 < X < 5) = 1 - P(0 < X \leq 1) - P(5 \leq X < 6)$$

$$= 1 - \int_0^1 \frac{x}{8} dx - \int_5^6 \frac{6-x}{8} dx$$

$$= 0.875.$$

29. It is easy to see that  $X$  has gamma distribution with parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\lambda$ .

Then  $E(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda}$  and  $\text{Var}(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda^2}$ .

Given that  $E(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda} = 2$  and

$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda^2} = 2$ . On solving

these equations, we get

$\alpha = 2$  and  $\lambda = 1$ . Now, putting

these values in the given pdf of  $X$ , we get

$$f(x) = x e^{-x}, x > 0.$$

Now, the required probability is

$$P(X < 1) = \int_0^1 f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 x e^{-x} dx$$

$$= 1 - 2e^{-1}$$

$$= 0.264$$